



#5 PN  
26221 30/04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

APPLICANT: Graham Roderick Lodge CONFIRMATION NO. 9272

SERIAL NO.: 10/074,755 GROUP ART UNIT: 2622

FILED: February 13, 2002

TITLE: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GENERATING A PRINT IMAGE IN A NUMBER OF STEPS"

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RECEIVED

JAN 29 2004

RECEIVED

DEC 10 2003

SIR:

TC 2600

Technology Center 2600

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AL German OS 32 13 646

AM European Application 0 702 335

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were cited in a Search Report rendered by the European Patent Office during examination of the counterpart European application. English translations of these references are not readily available to the Applicant, each of the references has an English language Abstract attached thereto, which constitutes a summary of its teachings.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

DEC 11 2003

RECEIVED

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

Should this Information Disclosure Statement cross in the mail with a first Office Action, it is still in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), and no fee is necessary. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel states, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1), that each of the above items was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination, or in combination with any of the previously submitted references. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

Submitted by,

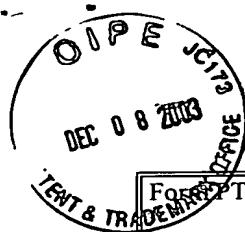
*Steven H. Noll* (Reg. 28,982)  
SCHIFF, HARDIN & WAITE, CUSTOMER NO. 26574

Patent Department  
6600 Sears Tower  
233 South Wacker Drive  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
Telephone: 312/258-5790  
Attorneys for Applicant.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on December 5, 2003.

*Steven H. Noll*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
STEVEN H. NOLL



Sheet 1 of 1

FORM PTO-1449 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (use several sheets if necessary)				Docket No. P01,0588	Serial No. 10/074,755		
				Applicant Graham Roderick Lodge			
				Filing Date February 13, 2002	Group Art Unit 2622		
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner's Initials		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If appropriate
	AA						
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation Yes      No
	AL	OS 32 13 646	10/27/83	Germany			
	AM	0 702 335	03/20/96	Europe			
	AN						
	AO						
	AP						
	AQ						
	AR						
	AS						
OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
	AT						
	AU						
	AV						
	AW						
Examiner			Date Considered				
<b>*EXAMINER:</b> Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							